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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and system for determining the authenticity of a product. The system includes an interface device communicating with an authenticator. The authenticator includes a processing module and an information storage module having stored data. The interface device retrieves information from the product which is sent to the authenticator. The processing module determines if the retrieved data in combination with the stored data of the information storage module matches authenticating data stored within the processing module. If both sets of data match, the product is determined to be authentically originating from a specified manufacturer.